



CardioRenal Syndromes

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Classic view: CRS means that a normal kidney may be dysfunctional because of a diseased heart.

In the presence of a healthy heart, the same kidney would perform normally.

New concept: The CRS includes a variety of acute or chronic conditions, where the primary failing organ can be either the heart or the kidney.



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Definition

CRS is defined as a pathophysiologic disorder of the heart and kidneys whereby acute or chronic dysfunction of one organ may induce acute or chronic dysfunction of the other.



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Classification

CRS Type I (Acute Cardiorenal Syndrome)

Abrupt worsening of cardiac function (e.g. acute cardiogenic shock or acutely decompensated congestive heart failure) leading to acute kidney injury

CRS Type II (Chronic Cardiorenal Syndrome)

Chronic abnormalities in cardiac function (e.g. chronic congestive heart failure) causing progressive and potentially permanent chronic kidney disease

CRS Type III (Acute Renocardiac Syndrome)

Abrupt worsening of renal function (e.g. acute kidney ischaemia or glomerulonephritis) causing acute cardiac disorder (e.g. heart failure, arrhythmia, ischemia)

CRS Type IV (Chronic Renocardiac Syndrome)

Chronic kidney disease (e.g. chronic glomerular or interstitial disease) contributing to decreased cardiac function, cardiac hypertrophy and/or increased risk of adverse cardiovascular events

CRS Type V (Secondary Cardiorenal Syndrome)

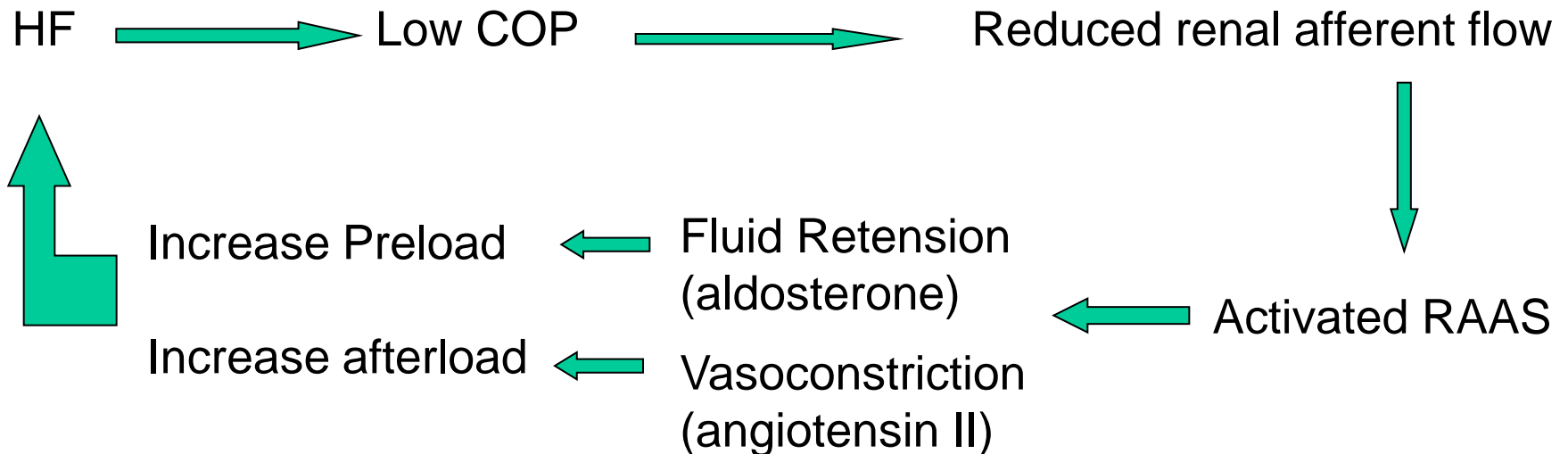
Systemic condition (e.g. diabetes mellitus, sepsis) causing both cardiac and renal dysfunction



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Pathophysiology

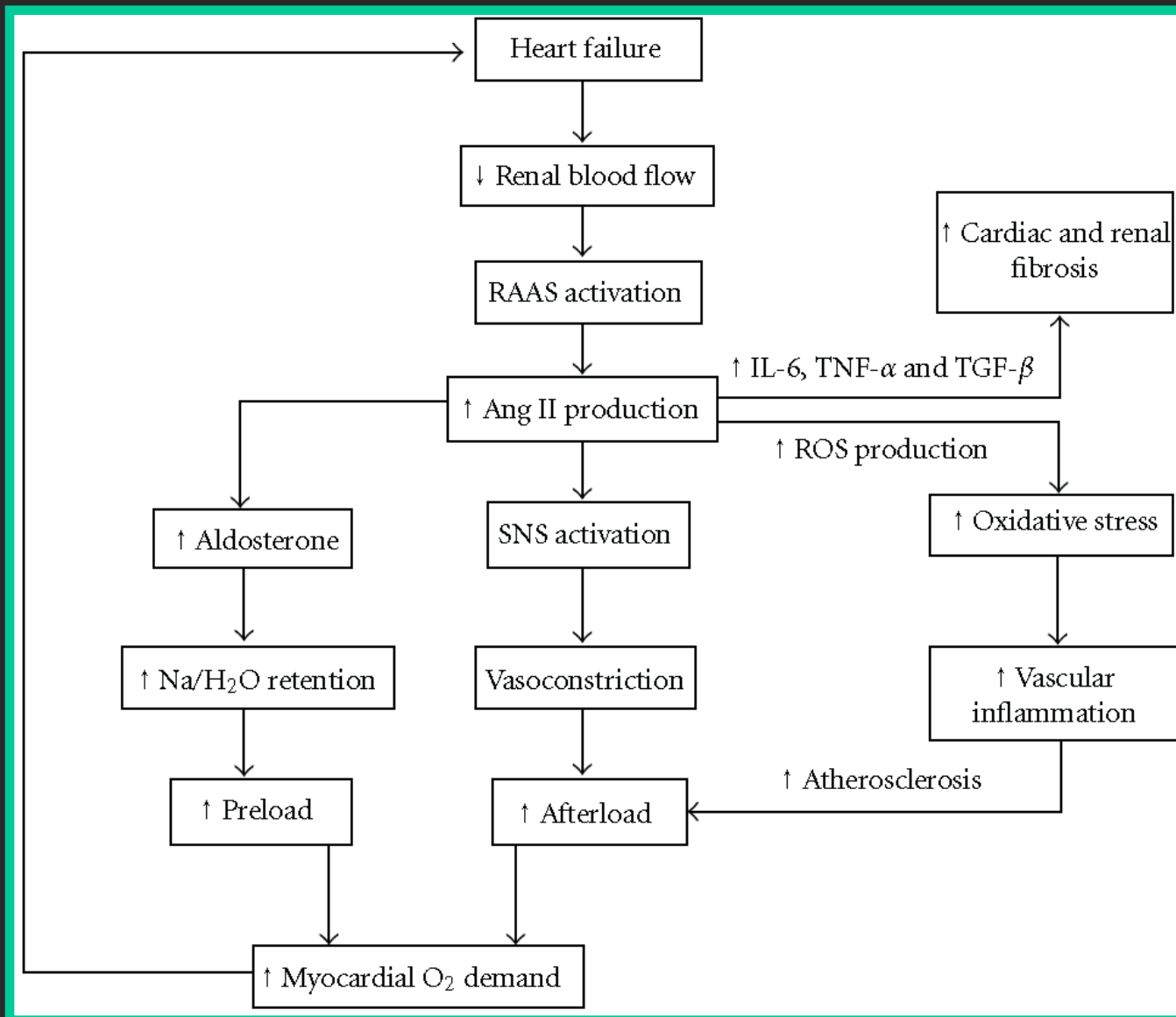
A) Low flow hypothesis





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B) Activated RAAS





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C) Activated SNS

Activated SNS in HF aims at maintainnig COP by +ve inotropic and chronotropic effect.

SNS activation results in:

- Vasoconstriction → increase afterload
- LVH
- Release of NPY → more atherosclerosis
- Decreased renal blood flow
- Cardiomyocyte and Renal tubular cell apoptosis



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D) Systemic congestion

↑ Renal venous pressure → ↓ Glomerular filtration

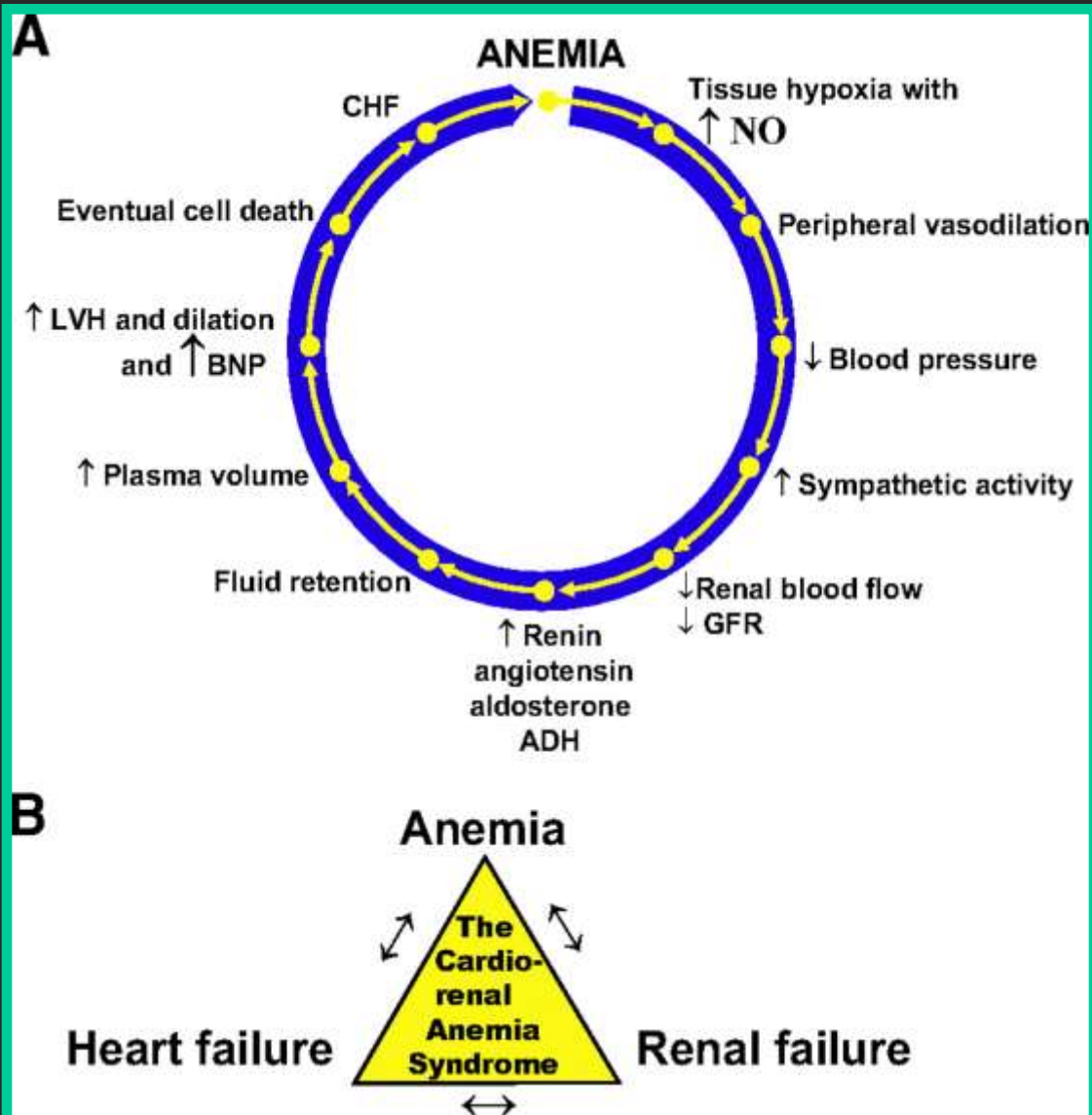
ESCAPE (Evaluation Study of Congestive Heart Failure and Pulmonary Catheterization Effectiveness) : The only hemodynamic measurement correlated with rising S. cr was Rt. Atrial pressure.



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E) CardioRenal Anemia

- Iron Deficiency
- Erythropoietin and ESAs



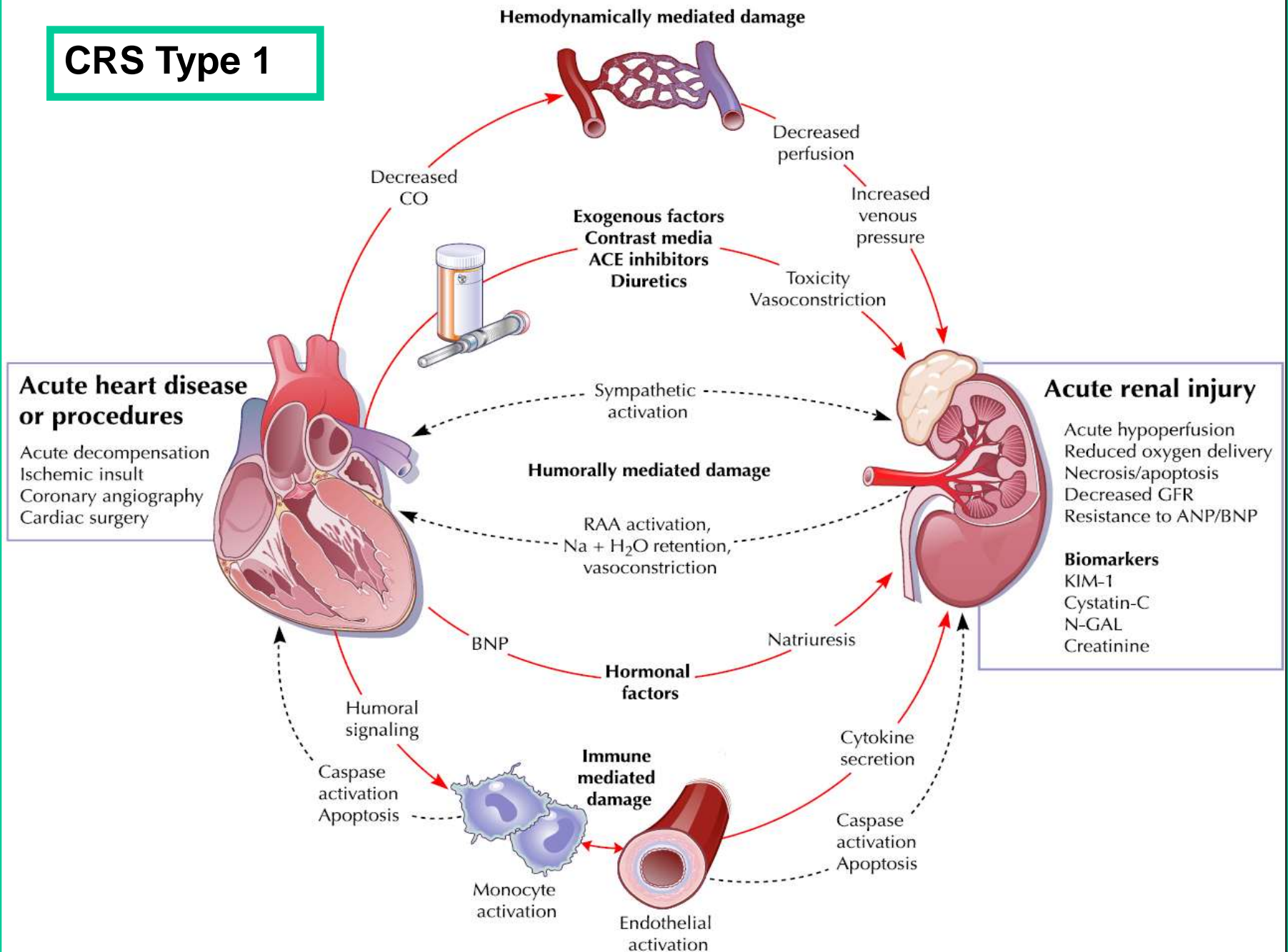


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CRS Type 1

- Pathogenesis: Hemodynamics
Exogenous agents (contrast, diuretics, ACEI)
- Prognostic Factors: EF
Pre-existing renal disease
- Effect of AKI on the heart: SNS
RAAS
Na/H₂O retention
Inflammation
- Management: Diuretics/ ACEI/BB
- Markers

CRS Type 1





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Table 1

Protein Biomarkers for the Early Detection of Acute Kidney Injury

Biomarker	Associated Injury
Cystatin C	Proximal tubule injury
KIM-1	Ischemia and nephrotoxins
NGAL (lipocalin)	Ischemia and nephrotoxins
NHE3	Ischemia, pre-renal, post-renal AKI
Cytokines (IL-6, IL-8, IL-18)	Toxic, delayed graft function
Actin-actin depolymerizing F	Ischemia and delayed graft function
α -GST	Proximal T injury, acute rejection
π -GST	Distal tubule injury, acute rejection
L-FABP	Ischemia and nephrotoxins
Netrin-1	Ischemia and nephrotoxins, sepsis
Keratin-derived chemokine	Ischemia and delayed graft function

GST = glutathione S-transferase; IL = interleukin; KIM = kidney injury molecule; L-FABP = L-type fatty acid binding protein; NGAL = neutrophil gelatinase-associated lipocalin; NHE = sodium-hydrogen exchanger.



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CRS Type 2

Prevalence : very common 25%

Pathogenesis: Risk Factors
LCOP or Systemic congestion (ESCAPE)
Drugs

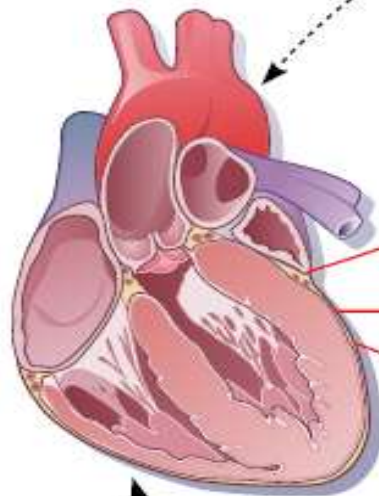
Effect of CKI: Anemia / RAAS / Na-H₂O / HTN / Uremia

Prognostic Factors: GFR/Age/HTN/DM/ACS

Management: Diuretics
VD drugs
Management of anemia

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Chronic heart disease



Anemia
Na + H₂O retention
Uremic solute retention
Ca and Phos abnormalities
Hypertension

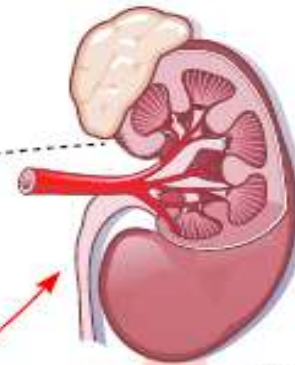
Genetic risk factors
Acquired risk factors
low cardiac output (CO)

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Subclinical inflammation
Endothelial dysfunction
Accelerated atherosclerosis

Chronic hypoperfusion
Increased renal vascular resistance
Increased venous pressure
Embolism

Anemia, hypoxia
RAA and sympathetic activation
Na + H₂O retention
Ca and Phos abnormalities
Hypertension, LVH

Anemia
Na + H₂O retention
Uremic solute retention
Ca and Phos abnormalities
Hypertension



Increased susceptibility to insults

Chronic hypoperfusion
Apoptosis



Insult and initiation of kidney damage

Sclerosis - Fibrosis



Progression of CKD



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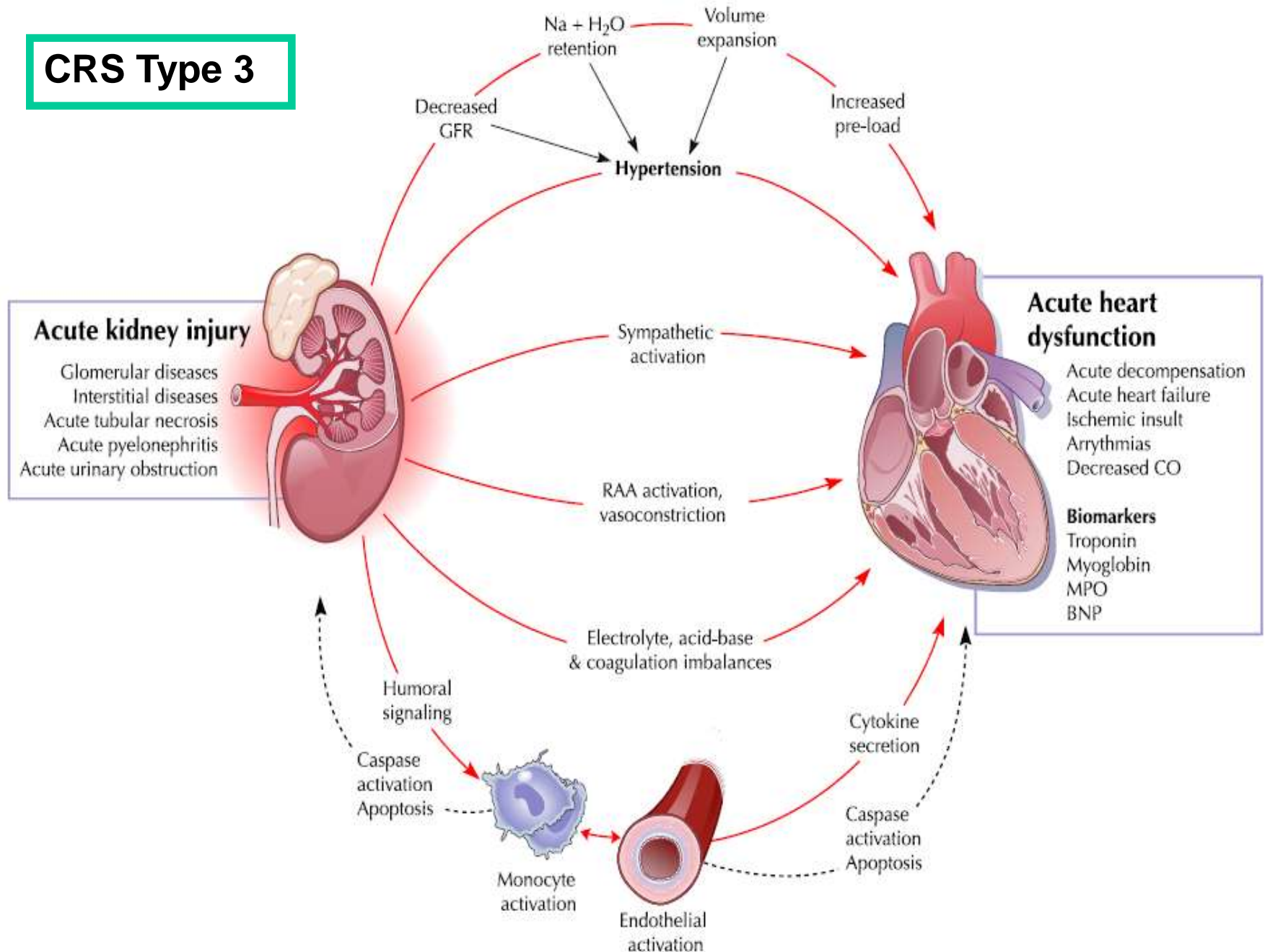
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Pathogenesis: SNS RAAS
Fluid overload
Electrolytes (hyperkalemia)
Acidemia
Uremia
Bilateral RA stenosis

Biomarkers: Troponins MPO BNP

Management: Diuretics
ACEI
Renal replacement therapy

CRS Type 3





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CRS Type 4

Importance: > 50% of CKD V deaths are cardiovascular

Pathogenesis: Risk Factors

Anemia

Uremia

Ch. Inflammation

Lack of appropriate CV risk modification treatment

Biomarkers: Troponins

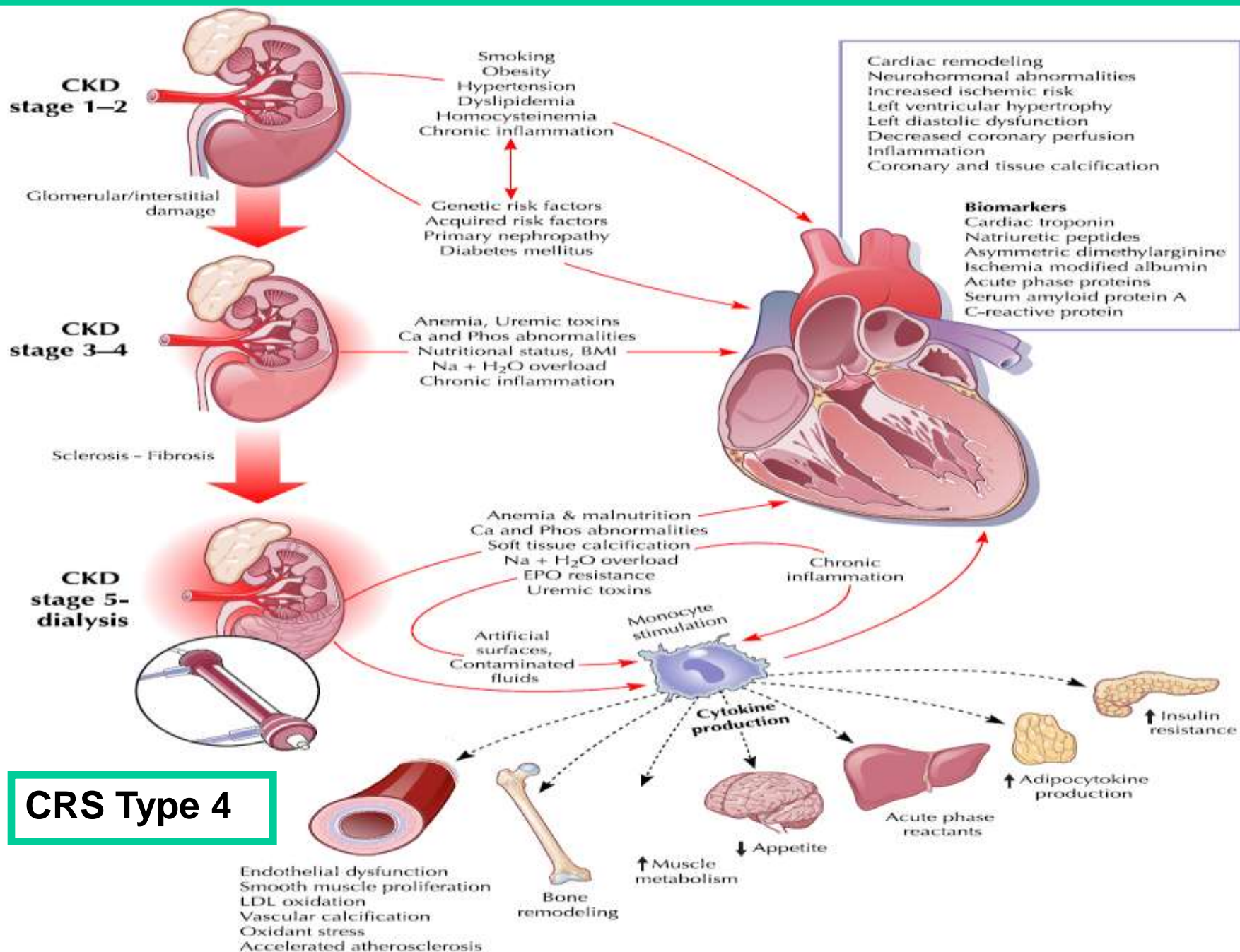
Ischemia modified albumin & Hb

Plasminogen activator inhibitor

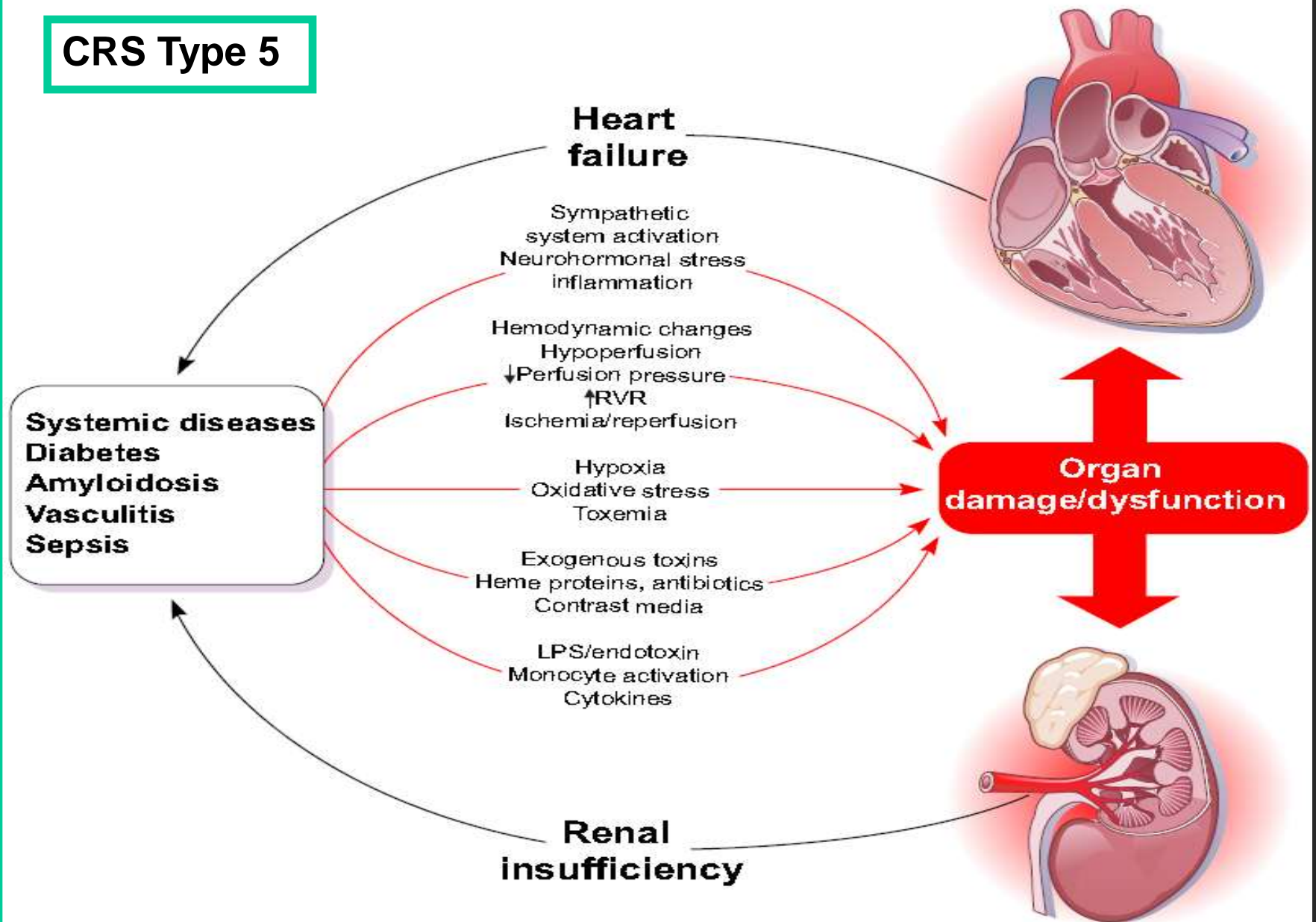
BNP, CRP, homocysteine

Management: Antiplatelets, ACEIs, BBs, statins

Endothelin, Adenosine and Vasopressin antagonists



CRS Type 5





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